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**City of Belmont** 

## CityManager's Weekly Update



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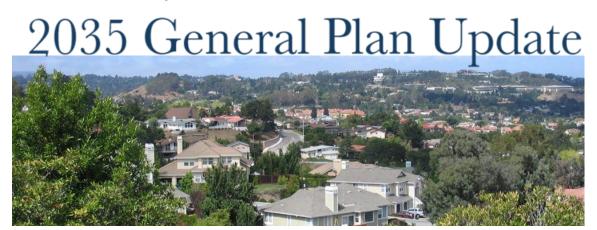
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#### **Executive Summary**



#### **Community Open House**

On Thursday the 21st the City held an Open House on the 2035 General Plan Update to present the preliminary Preferred Plan. The event was held at the Belmont Library from 4 to 7 pm, the Open House provided an opportunity for members of the public to view and comment on preliminary maps, graphics, and policy concepts for the new General Plan. Preferred Plan topics included land use (including new and revised land use designations, upon which zoning districts are based), circulation (traffic operations, bicycle improvements, and pedestrian improvements), and parks and open space concepts. The Open House also included summary results of the community-wide mail-in survey, for which nearly 1,400 responses were received.

The land use, circulation, and open space concepts were based directly on the input gathered throughout the General Plan Update process — from workshops to stakeholder interviews and the community survey. Visitors to the open house were encouraged to provide their feedback on the information presented, and reflect upon whether the Preferred Plan components accurately captured the vision and priorities that the community had expressed thus far.

The Preferred Plan materials will be refined based on this feedback and presented at a joint study session of the Planning and Parks & Recreation Commissions, scheduled for June  $2^{\rm nd}$  at 6 pm. Following that meeting, the materials will be revised again and presented to the Planning Commission and City Council on July  $21^{\rm st}$ . The public is welcome to attend these meetings and

provide additional comments the as Commissions and City Council consider the Preferred Plan. With Planning Commission and City Council's approval, the General Plan policy document will then be drafted over the summer months, based on the Preferred Plan concepts. Visit the General Plan Update website for more information.



#### **Community Meeting for Pavement Reconstruction Project**

On Wednesday May 20, 2015, a community meeting was held for the Pavement Reconstruction Project to provide information on the construction phase of the project. Residents in attendance were provided information on the expected construction impacts to the neighborhood and construction schedule. The meeting include a short presentation which provided an overview of the project along with a question and answer session. Informational stations with construction plans for each of the three street segments were available for review and staff was available to answer individual questions.

Staff is currently working with the contractor to finalize the construction schedule. Construction is expected to begin the last week or May or the first week of June and be completed by mid August.

More information on the project can be found on the City's webpage:

Pavement Reconstruction Project



#### "Your Voice...Your Belmont"



What are Your Priorities for Local Services?



#### MAINTAIN LOCAL SERVICES

The City of Belmont is working to maintain local services as Sacramento finds new ways to take local funds. Over the last 20 years, the State has taken \$15.5 million from Belmont.

This has left us with repairs and improvements for our roads, storm drains, parks and more that Belmont cannot address.

#### JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Join the **"Your Voice...Your Belmont"** community conversation regarding local service needs. The most important input into this process comes from YOU! Please help us by visiting **www.belmont.gov/survey** to take our Community Survey today.



## Take our Community Survey! www.belmont.gov/survey

Tell us services you want to protect, maintain or improve.

#### "Your Voice...Your Belmont"

The City continues its public outreach efforts, as staff works with the Council to engage the community in a conversation on local service needs in Belmont. The City has been receiving considerable feedback from the postcard mailer survey sent out to residents. In an effort to expand efforts to engage the community in the local service needs and prioritization discussion, City staff set up a table in front of Safeway and Carlmont Village Shopping Center last Friday. In addition, Council Member Stone and Parks & Recreation Director Gervais gave a short presentation of the City's efforts at the Ralston PTA on Wednesday, May 20th. The City is working on scheduling upcoming neighborhood coffees to keep the community informed and involved in these efforts. Do you have an upcoming meeting you'd like us to attend? Please call (650) 595-7408 to schedule a brief presentation. All community members are encouraged to continue contributing feedback on their top priorities for Belmont by taking part in our Community Survey -"Your Voice...Your Belmont", available online at: www.belmont.gov/survev.



#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### **Informational Sessions on Vegetation Management Program**



Fire season is now a year-round reality in many areas in California and the San Francisco Bay Area, and the Belmont Fire Protection District takes every precaution to help protect you and your property from wildlife. With this in mind, the fire district will be holding informational sessions on our Vegetation Management Program on the following dates/times:

Wednesday, June 3rd, 6:30pm-7:30pm

On Christian Drive at Marsten Avenue

Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 10am-11am

Cul-de-sac at the end of Naughton Avenue (Cross Street Encline Way)

During each session fire representatives will be showing examples of the threat we face in Belmont and providing materials on:

- Understanding the Wild Fire Threat
- Creating defensible space on your property
- State & Local Laws governing compliance

For more information or questions on our program please call (650) 595-7492 and we look forward to seeing you there.



#### National Night August 4, 2015



Next planning meeting Monday, June 8 City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor EOC 6:00 p.m.

For More Information and how you can participate contact Belmont Police Officer Joe Lorenzini: <a href="mailto:ilorenzini@belmont.gov">ilorenzini@belmont.gov</a>

NNO was started in 1984 and is a wonderful opportunity for communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships, crime

prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. While the one night is certainly not an answer to crime, drugs and violence, National Night Out represents the kind of spirit, energy and determination to help make neighborhoods a safer place year round. The night celebrates safety and crime prevention successes and works to expand and strengthen programs for the next 364 days.



#### **Traffic Operations**

- Weekly visual inspections for preventative maintenance of intersections
- Visual inspection of lighted crosswalks
- Banners 2 down; 2 up
- Manufactured 10 new signs
- Removed knocked down stop sign and placed temporary stop sign on barricade
- Installed new sign pole and 3 new signs
- Reset delineators for temporary lane control on Island Parkway
- Conducted spot inspections of contractor installed LED street lighting throughout the city
- Trimmed vegetation to improve sight distance
- Install hour meter for pump number 2 at San Juan pump station
- Support Public Works Week Open House

#### **Streets Division**

- Marked out 13 Underground Service Alerts
- Dug out 20.05 tons of concrete, roots, and asphalt from the corner of Twin Pines Lane and Ralston Ave
- Put down 8 tons of base rock
- Graded, compacted and formed the ADA ramp and sidewalk
- Poured and finished the ADA ramp and sidewalk
- Support Public Works Week Open House

#### **Sewer Division**

- Inspected and cleaned 11 sewer pump stations
- The service truck (205) responded to 3 service calls (All sewer)
- Checked and emptied 8 city garbage cans throughout the city
- Staff worked on outfitting new sanitary sewer overflow trailer
- Cleaned flushable wipes from debris catcher at Ralston Ranch Sewer Pump Station
- Ietted 570 feet of sewer main
- Video storm and sewer lines on El Camino Real for future construction projects
- Video 2544 feet of sewer main
- Support Public Works Week Open House

#### **Storm Division**

- Performed twice weekly inspection of Water Dog Lake roadway, V-ditch, dam, spillway, and dock
- Swept 111 curb miles resulting in the acquisition of 9.46 tons of debris from the roadway
- Completed video assessments of 977 ft. of storm pipe
- Cleaned 36 storm drain inlets
- Support Public Works Week Open Hous

#### Public Works Open House Celebration – National Public Works Week



"Community Begins Here" was this year's theme for the Annual Public Works Open House Celebration. Public Works staff, in conjunction with Mid-Peninsula Water District and Recology- Waste Zero hosted this annual event at Twin Pines Park.

Well over 250 people including school students, adults and families visited the many displayed vehicles and booths to learn about the workings of Public Works, water supply and conservation, and recycling. Additionally, children had an opportunity to play "Red Light Green Light" with a live traffic signal, with each participant winning a prize. They also had a chance to test their throwing with a ball toss through PAWS, the Public Works mascot. After exploring

and climbing in the vehicles, getting a little education on how the water system works, the proper items to recycle, and the workings of Public Works Maintenance, folks strolled over to the barbecue to entertain their hungry bellies with hotdogs, chips and juice beverages.

On behalf of the City's Public Works Department, Mid-Peninsula Water District and Recology of San Mateo County, thank you for coming out and celebrating with us. We'll see you next year!







































#### 2015 Sewer and Storm Drain Improvement Project Update

The 2015 Sewer and Storm Drain Improvement Project is currently underway. The City's contractor has replaced approximately 90 feet of sewer drain pipe, installed approximately 800 feet of new storm drain pipe, 4 new storm drain manholes, and 10 new storm drain inlets along Notre Dame Avenue between Ralston Avenue and Fairway Drive.



The contractor is currently installing 80 feet of sewer, 200 feet of storm drain, manholes, and catch basins on Notre Dame Avenue at Arbor Avenue and along Arbor Avenue. This work is expected to be complete by early June.

Since this utility work requires cutting into the street pavement, this work is being completed in advance of the City's grant funded 2015 street reconstruction project along the same alignment, so it is being done before the streets are

reconstructed. This will ensure the long term integrity of the pavement is preserved reducing the potential for future trench cuts in the soon to be reconstructed roadway segments.







### Parks and Recreation

#### **V.O.I.C.E.S. Service Awards**

V.O.I.C.E.S. celebrated a year of service with an awards dinner for members and their families. Students thanked each other for creating a welcoming and fun environment for the year and family members enjoyed seeing the students volunteering in a video of project highlights.

Each student completed over 30 hours of service to our Belmont Community and areas throughout the peninsula. A V.O.I.C.E.S. member for four years, Carlmont High School Senior, Andrew Wach reflected, "Voices is important to me because it's a positive group of people with the same common interest of improving the community." To watch the video and get more information, visit <a href="http://bit.ly/BelmontCATeens">http://bit.ly/BelmontCATeens</a>. We will see you again for the for the 2015-2016 school year recruitment in September!



#### **Community Learning Center Graduation**

On May 20 at our Graduation and Silent Auction we celebrated a year of growth for all the children. Classrooms 5, 8, and 9 performed songs and each child received a graduation certificate. Following the graduation ceremony, the families had a lunch and continued bidding on Silent Auction items. Out PTO raised over \$2700.00! The money will go towards the children's enrichment activities and learning supplies.







with the Moonglow Band featuring David Otey





20 Twin Pines Lane, Belmont 94002



Parks & Recreation Enhancing the quality of life for the community Date: Friday, June 12
Time: 1pm-3pm

Join us to kick-off the first in our series of daytime dances. Singles & couples welcome! Put on your dancing shoes, or bring your friends and listen to great music while you enjoy some light refreshments. Sign up at the Front Desk or call 595-7444.

This event is sponsored by Brookdale Senior Living.





## Trailwork Begins Again at Waterdog Lake Open Space





Hello trail lovers of all kinds. As you may know the City completed the spillway bridge and a group effort of city employees and volunteers have nearly completed the wall and path to bypass the infamous Paver Section.

Now its time to team up and do some much needed maintenance work throughout the entire trail system. The City continues to support us but Volunteer Trailwork is the only way we can keep the natural feel while still keeping it safe in reality and perception for all users.

When: See Schedule below.

#### We need YOU! Sign up Today!

Where: Work will start at different locations depending on the trail selected for that day.

What to Expect: Usually pretty serious work for about 2-3 hours. Details will be provided via email after you sign up. We provide most of the tools, you wear sturdy clothes and gloves Generally we will be working on brush so cutting and moving Broom, Chapparal Etc. We work to be careful but Poison Oak is something we defend against.

Who Can Attend: Youth 16-18 with Parent, all adults willing to work pretty hard with lots of benefits.

Who to Contact: Kevin Sullivan - Belmont Resident, MTB Enthusiast, P&R Commissioner,

Trailwork Coordinator. Ksullyman@Gmail.com

Dates & Times: Tue 6pm-8ish Mar 31, Apr 14, 28, May 12, 26, Jun 9, 23

Sat 9AM-Noonish Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6

#### Sign up to get details!

"Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Community"

#### Other Agency Announcements

#### MPWD RESPONDS TO STATEWIDE DROUGHT EMERGENCY

**MPWD CUSTOMERS** EXCEEDED THE LOCAL CALL TO SAVE WATER LAST YEAR, BUT...



## here's More to Go

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) issued 2015 regulations to address the statewide drought emergency and has called on Mid-Peninsula Water District customers to save 20%\*. Together, we can do it! Mid-Peninsula Water District offers resources to help. Call 650.591.8941 or go online to learn more about water conservation tips and valuable rebate programs.

#### www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/tips

Refer to the other side for valuable rebate programs

#### PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES DURING THE 2015 DROUGHT EMERGENCY\*

- Watering outdoor landscapes during and within 48 hours after measurable rainfall.
- Outdoor watering of ornamental landscapes or turf more than two days per week. NEWN
- Irrigation of ornamental turf on public street medians.
- Serving drinking water other than upon request in eating or drinking establishments. NEW
- Outdoor landscape watering between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Landscape irrigation that causes runoff onto non-irrigated areas.
- The washing of vehicles without a positive shut-off nozzle attached to hose.
- O Cleaning off driveways, sidewalks, patios, or parking areas with water.
- Operation of a non-recirculating fountain or other decorative water feature.

To promote water conservation, operators of hotels and motels shall provide guests with the option of choosing not to have towels and linens laundered daily.

For more about the SWRCB's conservation regulations, please visit www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/SWRCB-FAQs

\*Compared to 2013 MPWD water usage. \*\*\$500 fines could apply for violations.

Please contact us with any questions:

mpwd@midpeninsulawater.org 650.591.8941

3 Dairy Ln., Belmont, CA 94002 • www.midpeninsulawater.org





### Lawn-Be-Gone Rebate Program

#### GET PAID TO TRANSFORM YOUR LANDSCAPE!

Drought-tolerant and water-efficient landscaping conserves water, is easy to maintain, and provides long-term benefits to the environment. Our rebate amount is \$2.00 per square foot of converted lawn.



### High Efficiency Clothes Washer Rebate



Apply for up to \$200 cash back on 2015 Energy Star Most Efficient Models or up to \$50 on washing machines that meet CEE TIER 3 certification.

## High Efficiency Toilet (HET) Rebate Program

**RECEIVE UP TO \$100 TO REPLACE YOUR OLD TOILETS** with a new EPA Water Sense Label High-Efficiency Model. HETs perform well and use approximately 62% less water. Limit 3 rebates per residential service address or 6 rebates per commercial account.



### Rain Barrel Rebate Program

CAPTURING AND RE-USING RAIN WATER RUNOFF IS SMART.

Receive up to \$100 per rain barrel for the purchase and installation of rain barrels. Limit two rebates per single family residence and four per multi-family residence.

Call 650.591.8941 or go online to www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/rebates to learn more.

Or visit the MPWD office for rebate applications at 3 Dairy Lane in Belmont.

## Save the Date

San Mateo County

## **★ 11<sup>th</sup> Annual ★**

# DISASTER PREPAREDNESS DAY

Saturday, June 6, 2015

10AM-2PM, San Mateo County Event Center 1346 Saratoga Avenue, San Mateo

Arrive BEFORE 11am for FREE Parking & FREE Admission to the County Fair!

First-Aid, Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services and Equipment Demonstrations

**★Learn How to Put Together a Disaster Plan and Emergency Kit!**★

#### For more information:

Office of Emergency Services at (650) 363-4790 Office of Supervisor Adrienne J. Tissier (650) 363-4572









#### Community Calendars

#### **Twin Pines Community Center**

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center ~ May 2015 ~				
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#### **Belmont Public Library**

